THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [*See* Appendix CXXXVI, Annexure No. 55].

Vacancies of Urdu teachers in Delhi schools

*435. SHRI SHAMIM AHMED SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of vacancies of Urdu teachers in Delhi Administration schools at present; and

(b) by when these vacancies are likely to be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) According to the information furnished by Delhi Administration, three posts of Urdu teachers are lying vacant in Govt. Schools run by Delhi Administration.

(b) Filling up of vacant posts is a continuous process. Vacant posts will be filled up as soon as procedural formalities for filling up of the posts are completed.

Opening of open universities

*436. SHRI S. W. DHABE:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any proposals under Government's consideration to start open universities in addition to the Indira Gandhi National Open University; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and by when they are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Appointment of the Director General Health Services

*437. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have asked the State Governments to sponsor candidates for the post of Director General, Health Services which is likely to fall vacant shortly;

(b) whether there is any provision in the rules to induct candidates from outside the C.H.S cadre; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons for asking the State Governments to sponsor candidates for the post of DGHS and what is its likely impact on the prospects of the eligible candidates belonging to the C.H.S. cadre?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The CHS Rules, 1982 *inter-alia*, provide for filling up CHS posts by transfer on deputation of suitable officers from State Governments and the Central Government (including Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Defence).

(c) Does not arise.

Payment of commission to the G.S.A. in London

*438. SHRIMATI USHA MALHOTRA:
DR. LOKESH CHANDRA:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state what is the amount of commissions under